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Senate Resolution 1446

By: Senators Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd and Douglas of the 17th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Phoenix Pass in Conyers, Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Phoenix Pass is a nonprofit organization designed as a partnership between First
- 3 Baptist Church of Conyers and Rockdale Emergency Relief with a mission of serving the
- 4 needs of families experiencing temporary homelessness by giving them an opportunity to
- 5 reestablish self-sufficiency in a residential setting; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Phoenix Pass is a long-term transitional housing complex that serves families
- 7 who are experiencing temporary homelessness in the Conyers and Rockdale County area;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, the first of its kind in Rockdale County, Phoenix Pass includes two eight-unit
- apartment buildings, with each apartment featuring a kitchen, living room, two bedrooms,
- and a private bathroom; and a community center that includes an activity room, meeting
- 12 room, laundry room, storage area, four restrooms, two kitchenettes, and office staff; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the apartment buildings at Phoenix Pass are EarthCraft Certified, addressing
- 14 energy efficiency, durability, indoor air quality, resource efficiency, waste management, and
- 15 water conservation in order to help reduce waste to protect the environment and lower utility
- 16 bills; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Phoenix Pass is located on the campus of Light House Village in Conyers,
- 18 Georgia, and is one of three nonprofit programs on the 27 acre campus; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the construction of Phoenix Pass was made possible by HomeAid Atlanta,
- 20 Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association, and the Jon Bon Jovi Soul Foundation, generous
- 21 financial supporters that have transformed the dream of Phoenix Pass into reality; and

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WHEREAS, Phoenix Pass can accommodate up to 90 people at any given time and provides

- 23 housing for up to two years along with case management, a mentorship program, life skills
- 24 classes, and aftercare programs; and
- 25 WHEREAS, residents of Phoenix Pass acquire the life skills and job skills needed for success
- 26 and transition into the Conyers-Rockdale County community as productive and
- 27 self-sufficient citizens.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 29 commend Phoenix Pass for improving the lives of families in Rockdale County by providing
- 30 families with the shelter and education they need to live self-sufficient, safe, and happy lives.
- 31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Phoenix Pass.